

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) [A] An air deflector assembly for a sunroof opening in an automobile [sunroof] roof comprising:

a generally elongate central visor [member for deflecting air] having opposed [end portions] lateral edges;

a pedestal [member] mountable to each of said [end portions] lateral edges [to form said deflector assembly] to support the visor on the roof; and,

means for securing each [said] pedestal [onto said automobile] to said roof to removably retain said pedestals and visor [member] adjacent said sunroof opening.

2. (new) The air deflector of claim 1 wherein each pedestal includes an elongate slot for slideably receiving a respective edge of said visor.

3. (new) The air deflector of claim 2 wherein said slot includes means for reducing temperature induced stresses in said visor comprising suitably dimensioning said slot to accommodate expansion and contraction of the visor edge therewithin.

4. (new) The air deflector of claim 1 wherein said pedestal comprises a base member having a recessed lip portion for receiving said lateral edge thereon, and means for holding said lateral edge on base member.

5. (new) The air deflector of claim 4 wherein said holding means comprises at least two fasteners for fixing said visor to said base.
6. (new) The air deflector of claim 4 wherein said holding means comprises a cap engageable with said base member for sandwiching a visor lateral edge therebetween.
7. (new) The air deflector of claim 1 further comprising flexible gaskets for location beneath each of said pedestals and a leading edge of said visor.
8. (new) The air deflector of claim 7 wherein a barrier strip of inert material is located intermediate said visor leading edge and respective gasket.
9. (new) The air deflector of claim 7 wherein said gasket for said visor comprises an upper portion of inert material mountable onto said leading edge and a second lower portion for abutting said automobile roof.
10. (new) The air deflector of claim 9 wherein said upper and lower portions of said gasket are co-extruded, said upper portion defines a channel for receiving said leading edge, and said lower portion forms at least two flexible splayed legs for abutting said roof.
11. (new) The air deflector of claim 7 wherein said gasket is integrally formed with one or more of said visor and said pedestals.

12. (new) The air deflector of claim 1 wherein said visor comprises at least first and second distinct visor portions, and a middle member of suitable size mountable intermediate said visor portions for providing an interconnected visor arrangement of desired dimension for said sunroof opening.

13. (new) The air deflector of claim 1 wherein said securing means comprises an elongate clip having an upper portion connectable to said pedestal and a lower hooked portion for engaging said sunroof opening to retain said pedestal on said roof.

14. (new) The air deflector of claim 13 wherein said clip is of suitable length to allow said lower hooked portion to be slidingly engaged with a perimeter flange of said sunroof opening to retain said pedestal on said roof.

15. (new) The air deflector of claim 1 wherein said securing means includes a bracket having a lower hooked portion for engaging said sunroof opening, and a barbed portion above said hooked portion for slideably mating in a plurality of positions with a grooved portion on said pedestal which serves to provide a universal fit with said sunroof opening.

16. (new) The air deflector of claim 15 wherein said grooved portion comprises a generally elongate groove having a plurality of teeth therealong, and said barbed portion comprises a barb protruding from said bracket for slideably registering with said teeth in said groove.

17. (new) The air deflector of claim 16 wherein at least two barbs are provided on said bracket in a spaced relationship for engaging respective grooves on said pedestal, and said securing means further includes a fastener for securing said bracket in a desired position to said pedestal to retain said pedestal on said roof.